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LPD PERSONNEL CHANGES

Since the January 2008 release of the Distribution Digest, we are once again experiencing numerous personnel changes within LPD. Those changes by Section follow:

Mr. Lakye Franklin was selected to replace Mrs. Mykia Baldwin-Grant in LPD-1. Mr. Franklin, who comes to us from the Naval Air Systems Command and who is currently serving in the Army Reserve as a Logistics Officer, will serve as the Preservation, Packaging, and Packing (P3) expert within LPD. Mr. Abel Vasquez, former 3112, was hired to assist with the development of transportation metrics.

Regarding LPD-2, Mr. Tim Vandagriff was selected for a YA-3 passenger billet on the Pentagon Air Force Staff. Even though he is sorely missed, many best wishes remain with him in his new position. Mr. Vandagriff's billet will be advertised.

MSgt Victor Seabrooks, LPD-3, leaves for Bahrain on 3 July where he will become the Logistics Chief. His replacement, MSgt (Sel) Michael Belding, will become the Strategic Mobility Chief on the LPD-3 team.

The LPD-4 Section recently welcomed Mr. Stacy Ruble and Mr. Gregory Gray to the Division. Stacy, a recently retired Army Officer, and Greg, previously a Financial Management Analyst (contractor) for LPD both came on board in April. Stacy is our new Second Destination Transportation (SDT) Section Lead and Greg is the new SDT Assistant Section Lead and Planning, Programming Budget and Execution System (PPBES) Manager for the Branch. Both gentlemen look forward to meeting and working with you; their contact information can be found on the global. Ms. DuAnne Chrisman joined the LPD-4 Section replacing Mr. Gray as a PPBES Analyst. Ms. Chrisman recently retired from the Department of the Army. Mr. Larry Feng also joined the LPD-4 Section this month. Mr. Feng will provide contractor support as a Transportation Financial Data Analyst. Mr. Feng is joining LPD-4 from the Washington Group International where he served as a Senior Financial Systems Analyst.

MSgt Darrick Williams recently left LPD-4 for his new position as the Marine Corps Air Station Miramar Traffic Chief. MSgt Williams billet will not be replaced in LPD-4.

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- LPD PERSONNEL CHANGES (CONTINUED)

LPD-5 will say goodbye to MSgt Patrick Jean as he retires on 1 August 2008. The MSgt Jean family will move temporarily to Vienna, Austria where his wife will complete a tour with the Department of Energy.

LPD-1

PUBLICATIONS UPDATE

We are currently revising Marine Corps Order (MCO) 4680.5A, Containerization Policy and MCO 4600.7C, Marine Corps Freight Transportation Manual. In the upcoming weeks, you may be asked to review and provide comments on specific areas. Your assistance in the development of these orders is greatly valued and appreciated. The LPD-1 point of contact is Mr. Tony Bailey, commercial 703-695-7930; DSN 225-7930.

CONTAINER INVENTORY

The biennial DOD ISO Container Inventory is slated to commence 1 July 08 and end 31 December 08. The DOD Container Inventory will include all ISO containers and ISO-configured equipment currently owned or purchased by the Services/Agencies since 2006. Inventory will include both buyouts of commercial carrier and leased containers purchased as a result of Operations Enduring Freedom/Iraqi Freedom (OEF/OIF). Ocean carrier containers under DOD control from Universal Services Contract (USC) bookings and containers currently under lease from Textainer are not included in this inventory - ONLY containers that are owned by the GOVERNMENT will be counted. An official message will be released from LPD with further details on the inventory requirement in the near future. The LPD-1 point of contact is Mr. Tony Bailey, commercial 703-695-7930, DSN 225-7930.

METRICS

LPD-1 analyzes Marine Corps distribution and transportation metrics on a weekly basis. They review commercial and military air cargo movements into all Combatant Commanders Area of Responsibility (AOR). For example, LPD-1 currently provides customers with the necessary information for in-transit tracking, CENTCOM receipt planning, and theater distribution route planning. The name of the report that provides this information is called CENTCOM Pallet and Container report. This report provides detailed information on shipments destined for the CENTCOM AOR from all Defense Logistics Agency Defense Distribution Centers (DDC). All information is pulled from the RF-ITV Tracking Portal System and is incorporated into a spreadsheet. The report is distributed three times a week (Monday, Wednesday, and Saturday) to customers. Please contact Mr. Abel Vasquez, LPD-1, at DSN 225-9041, commercial 703-695-9041 or email abel.vasquez.ctr@usmc.mil if you would like to receive a copy of this report.





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LPD-1 is responsible for the functional area advocacy, operational oversight and policy development/guidance of all Preservation, Packaging, and Packing (P3) related issues for Headquarters, Marine Corps (HQMC). LPD-1 currently represents HQMC on all Wood Packaging Material (WPM) efforts under the Joint Service program. They currently serve as a member of the Military Marking Simplification Study Working Group which is facilitating a military marking survey, organizing several site assessment visits and distributing the final marking survey to industry and DOD to improve DOD's military marking standards. Additionally, LPD-1 now serves as Chairman of the Defense Packaging Policy Group (DPPG), a joint service team responsible for the overall improvement of DOD's packaging processes, policies, and programs. If you have any questions or recommendations regarding P3 issues, contact Mr. Lakye Franklin, LPD-1, DSN 225-7930; commercial (703) 695-7930.

LPD-2

DUAL COMMITMENT

Dual commitment transportation refers to both individual and group travelers who make duplicate bookings on any mode of transportation, or are working to have two types of air transportation (military and commercial). Commercial air transportation will not be requested or scheduled unless all actions to obtain military air transportation have been terminated. DOD travelers will practice prudent use of all modes of commercial transportation

to enable the DOD to continue to access low cost commercial travel.

Recently, a Marine Corps CTO booked eighteen seats on a commercial jet liner with a thirty seat capacity, unaware that it was a group movement and that the unit had requested Mil-Air as a back up. Prior to departure, and at the very last moment, the unit failed in their attempt to cancel the commercial reservations and ended up flying Mil-Air instead. Ultimately, this particular violation resulted in a penalty to the command of eight thousand dollars to make up for lost revenue accrued by the airlines.

Please make sure that your commands are aware of the rules pertaining to Dual Commitment Travel. Traffic Management Officers should take a proactive role to ensure CTOs are on the lookout for hidden Group movements and that you have safe-guards in place to catch Dual Commitment Violators when scheduling occurs and before travel takes place.



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The Defense Travel Management Office (DTMO), with the assistance of HQMC (LPD-2), is currently working on a web-based Centrally Billed Account (CBA) reconciliation tool for the Marine Corps. The new tool models the AGTRv2 application but streamlines current processes. Data from the CTO billing file and the Credit Card Vendors billing file will automatically be matched, resulting in less data input (hand-jamming) by the TMO. Additionally, assistance can be provided more readily since it is a web-based application. Testing will start in May and it's our hope the tool will be deployed by the August time-frame.

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MANDATED AMC (PE) USE

As you know, ATA recently defaulted on their contract with AMC and has caused scheduling issues for Patriot Express flights. Although the new flight schedules appear tentative, it is imperative we continue to book passengers on AMC flights. The rider ship on AMC has steadily decreased and this could ultimately result in the termination of Patriot Express flights.

The Marine Corps has always led the charge in AMC utilization and will continue to do so. The DTR Part 1 states: AMC channel airlift must be used even if a commercial carrier is less expensive or preferred by, or more convenient to the traveler.

Please review the following guidelines to ensure compliance of all regulations concerning the utilization of AMC.

- 1. First and foremost, ensure Passenger Office policies and procedures facilitate maximum AMC usage.
- 2. Ensure a 10 day flight window is included on all port call requests. This will ensure at least 1 AMC flight within the window.
- 3. Provide travelers with all necessary information concerning Pet movement. Pet movement is not justification for commercial travel.
- 4. Annotate reason/justification of non-use of available AMC in the commercial seat reservation system and on all transportation endorsements.
- 5. Ensure circuitous travel are valid and not only to avoid AMC.
- 6. Utilize AMC for TAD travel, when feasible.
- 7. Refer to the DTR Part 1, MCO 4650.30K, and AMC web site for further guidance.



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MANDATED AMC (PE) USE (CONTINUED)

Bottom Line: Each time commercial transportation is procured when AMC is available and it results in empty seats, and is wasting government dollars.

<u>CIRCUITOUS TRAVEL</u>

A coordinated I&L, M&RA and P&R MARADMIN will be released shortly which outlines the Marine Corps policy regarding Circuitous Travel.

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11TH ANNUAL STRATEGIC MOBILITY AND COMBAT CARGO OFFICER CONFERENCE

The 0430 community held their annual conference 20-22 May 08 hosted by COMNAVSURFLANT with assistance from MARFORCOM. This three-day conference opened with briefs presented by HQMC, each of the Marine Forces' Commands, Naval Surface Forces, MCCSSS, EWTGPAC, MARCORSYSCOM, MCCDC, USTRANSCOM, and Blount Island Command. The attendees were then divided into four major working groups headed by a senior 0430. The conference was attended by personnel representing major commands across the Marine Corps and included the operating forces, supporting establishments, and Navy Staffs and units.

On the final day of the conference working group issues were briefed to all attendees and recommended actions were agreed upon by the entire forum. The entire conference and working group actions will be summarized in the conference wrap-up message to be released via DMS at a future date. All slide presentations for the conference have been posted on the I&L, LPD-3 strategic mobility section webpage.

TRANSPORTATION TRACKING NUMBER (TTN) INITIATIVE UPDATE

USTRANSCOM'S TTN initiative continues to evolve even though the services have expressed concerns. Our main concern continues to be implementation without proof of concept of an initiative that potentially encumbers our operating forces, jeopardizes our forces deployment planning and execution, or negatively impacts mission accomplishment. We have been articulating these concerns since Oct 06 during numerous forums and most recently during the Feb 08 DTTF and via a Marine Corps Action Tasker submitted to USTRANSCOM on 10 Apr 08.



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NAVY MIGRATION TO MDSS II INITIATIVE

This initiative will better support unit movements for both the Marine Corps and Navy by giving us a better ability of joint operations with our Navy counterparts. This is an ongoing effort and LPD-3 is continuing to work with the Navy Functional Advocate and MARCORSYSCOM to assist the Navy in their transition from TCAIMS II to MDSS II.

For more information on the 11TH annual SMO/CCO conference, TTN, and MDSS II, please visit the following LPD-3 link.

http://hqinet001.hqmc.usmc.mil/i&L/v2/LP/LPD/LPD-3%20Stategic%20Mobility/LPD3 Home.htm

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SERVICE TAC USE

LPD-4/SDT is currently working diligently with DLA and OSD to ensure correct TAC's are applied to LOGCOM and HQMC SDT shipments. This was a result of a DLA implemented billing process change and is impacting the USMC's ability to properly manage and forecast expenditures. This also has a financial impact resulting in increased costs associated with Forward Stocking Charges levied by DLA.

POWERTRACK

Continues to evolve in efforts to improve DOD transportation processes. New Buyer Documents are now required in place of Unlinked eBills, as the latter were determined to insufficiently support post payment audits. To comply with network requirements and improve user functionality within the Marine Corps, PowerTrack is being certified for use on Windows XP through NMCI. MCAS Beaufort and Miramar are testing the CMOS/I2P program to maximize PowerTrack's Matching Model capability for small package transactions. Any questions should be directed to the HQMC SDT group.

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DMO CONFERENCE AFTER ACTION MESSAGE

This year's conference was a tremendous success and was very well attended by the field. LPD released subject message with Date Time Group of 031940Z JUN 08. Specific LPD POC's have been identified for each Item. LPD will provide a quarterly status report of all Action Items until they have been resolved. Please review this message and discuss with all DMO personnel who were unable to attend.



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<u>UNCOMPENSATED REVIEW BOARD (URB) RESULTS</u>

The URB was held 12 – 16 May 08, at MCB Quantico. The purpose of the URB is to conduct a review and prioritization of all new uncompensated force structure requests against the Commandants approved plan through FY-14 in order to propose a zero sum gain adjustment to the current 202K plan.

In preparation for the URB, LPD prepared our own uncompensated requirement. This request sought an additional 6 Officers and 35 Enlisted Marines for MOS 3102/3112. There were 98 other uncompensated requirements from throughout the Marine Corps that were submitted to the URB. The requirement submitted by LPD was rated second amongst all logistics requirements that were submitted. However, although our requirement was deemed valid our request was eventually denied. In the final vote only 5 requirements were approved for sourcing. Of note is that only one requirement from the entire logistics community was approved. The next URB will not be held for at least another year. We will again submit our requirements at that time.

GYSGT SELECTIONS

Congratulations are in order for the following Marines on their recent selection for promotion to the rank of Gunnery Sergeant:

SSgt Berry, J.A.

SSgt Bruno, R.M.

SSgt Davila. I.

SSgt Hilton, D. A.

SSgt Martin, J.

SSgt Miller, C.E.

SSgt Navarro, J.

SSgt Watts, A.R.

MAGTF DEPLOYMENT AND DISTRIBUTION POLICY (MDDP) CHANGE ONE

Change one to the MDDP was recently submitted into MCATS for review by the operating forces. The new draft order includes updated information on each of the eight elements contained in the original version. Copies of the draft

can only be obtained through the MCATS system. Deadline for review of this document is 14 July 08. For more info contact Major Jones.

FORMAL SCHOOLS

GySgt (sel) Miller from MCAS Cherry Point will replace MSgt Jean as the Formal Schools Manager.

